MOVING DTSA-II FROM ONE COMPUTER TO ANOTHER
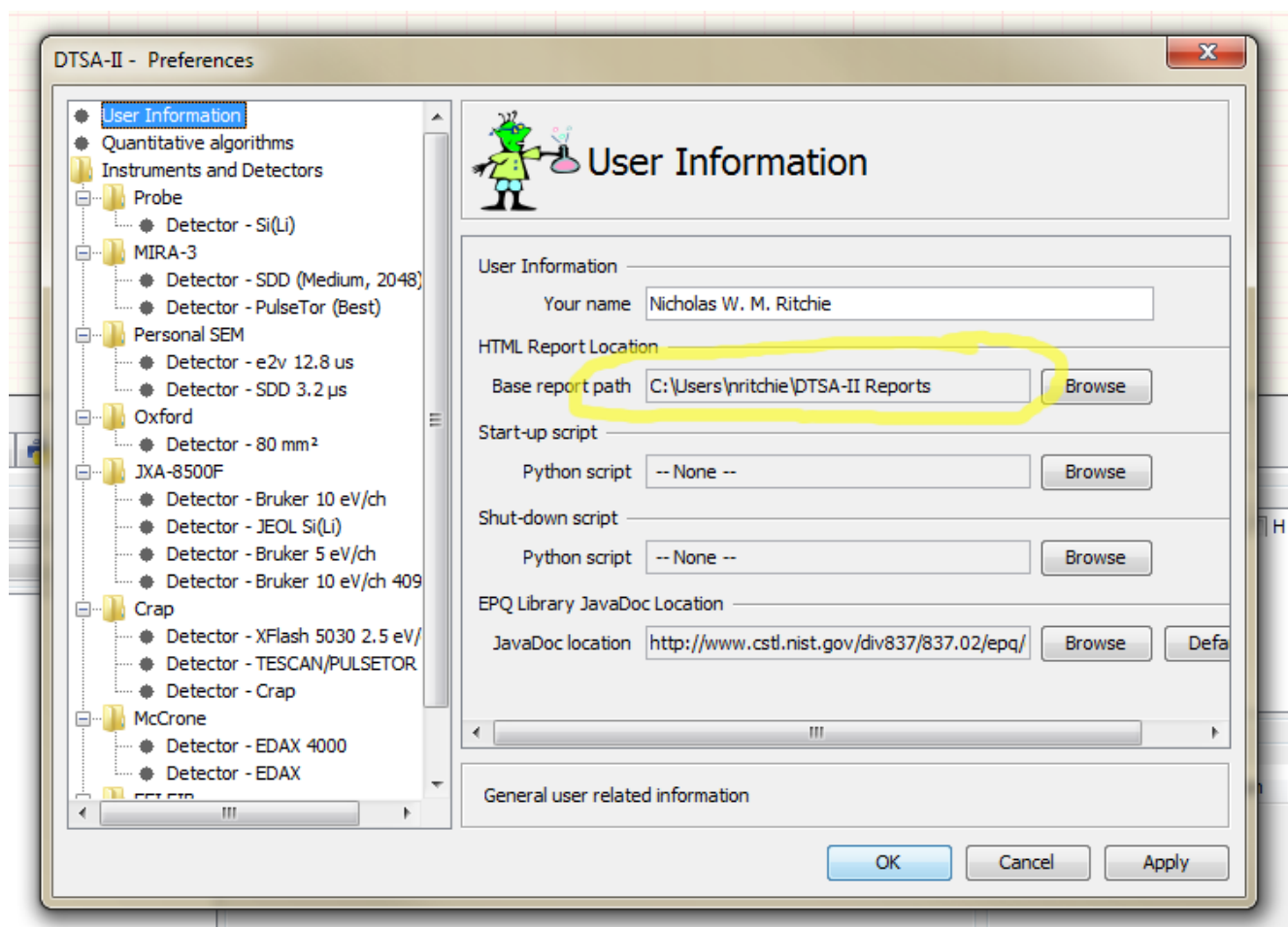
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Over time DTSA-II will collect many important pieces of information about your lab and your work flow. It is often desirable to retain this information when you move to a new computer. Fortunately, all of this data is archived in one place – the report directory. Copying the report directory from your old computer to you new computer will allow you to retain all the HTML reports and all the information stored for your convenience in the program database.

On the old computer

1. Locate the "base report path". The location of the "base report path" is displayed in the Preferences dialog which can be accessed through the File → Preferences menu item.

2. Close the instance of DTSA-II on your old computer.
3. Copy the base report directory and its contents to a convenient transfer medium (USB memory stick, CD/DVD or network share). Make sure that you can access the medium from the new computer.

On the new computer

1. Install DTSA-II.
2. Run DTSA-II for the first time.
   1. You will be asked to select a directory into which the DTSA-II reports will be written. Select a directory and write down the location.
4. Exit DTSA-II.
5. Using File Explorer or similar, locate the report directory which you just selected
6. Delete the contents of this directory.
7. Copy the contents of the base report directory from the old computer into the report directory on the new computer.
8. Restart DTSA-II. Verify that the database on the new computer contains information from the database on the old computer.
   1. Your instrument and detector definitions should be restored.
   2. Your material definitions should be restored.
   3. Your QC projects should be restored.